## Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended) A method to provide of installing a replaceable wear liner within a pressure chamber of a high pressure press, the method comprising—a eylindrical pressure chamber and a replaceable wear liner, comprising the steps of:

-inserting the wear liner into the eylindrical pressure chamber; and

subjecting the wear liner to an increased pressure by providing fluid communication between an external pressure source and the pressure chamber to expand the wear liner, the wear liner being directly exposed to the fluid and subjected to the increased pressure;

exceeding the tensile yield strength of the wear liner with the increased pressure thereby; and

- fixing releasing the pressure within the expanded wear liner to obtain a state of residual compressive stress in at least a portion of the wear liner in place with expansion by inner pressure above the yield point, such that the wear liner is thereby arranged in a state of residual compressive stress by the increase in diameter of the wear liner.

## 2.-4. (Canceled).

5. (Currently Amended) A-The method according to any one of claims 1-4 claim 1, wherein the method further comprises comprising replacing the wear liner, which includes the steps of:

—replacing the wear liner by making at least one cut in-to the inner surface of the wear liner, the cut being made to the portion of the wear liner that is in the state of residual compressive stress;

thereby causing allowing the wear liner to collapse under due to the residual compressive stress stored within at least the portion of the wear liner; and

-removing the collapsed wear liner from the pressure chamber.

6. (Currently Amended) A-The method according to claim 5, wherein the cut is approximately square in cross section.

## 7.-9. (Canceled)

- 10. (Withdrawn) The use of a high pressure press according to claim 7 for the treatment of substances.
- 11. (Withdrawn) The use of a high pressure press according to claim 7 for the isostatic pressing of powder pre-form products.
- 12. (Withdrawn) The use of a high pressure press according to claim 7 for the isostatic pressing of castings.
- 13. (Withdrawn) A method of replacing a wear liner, the wear liner being in a state of residual compressive stress and contained within a cylindrical pressure chamber, comprising the following steps:

making at least one cut on an inner surface of the wear liner to a predetermined depth that is less than the thickness of the wear liner;

allowing walls of the wear liner to collapse; and removing the collapsed wear liner.

14. (Withdrawn) The method of replacing a wear liner according to claim 13 wherein the wear liner is contained in a liner holder located within the cylindrical pressure chamber.

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- 15. (Withdrawn) The method of replacing a wear liner according to claim 13 wherein the cut made in the wear liner is approximately square in cross section.
- 16. (Withdrawn) The method of replacing a wear liner according to claim 13 wherein four longitudinal cuts are made around the inner circumference of the wear liner.